

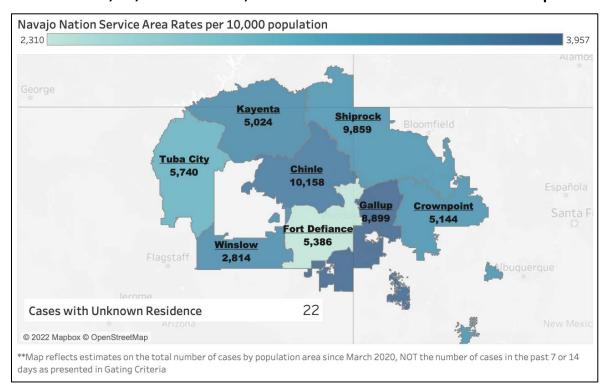
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12 new cases, 51,226 recoveries, and three deaths related to COVID-19 reported



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Thursday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 12 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and three recent deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,732, including one delayed death reported. The report indicates that 51,226 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 507,065 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 53,046, including 11 delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 10,158
 Crownpoint Service Unit: 5,144
 Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 5,386

Gallup Service Unit: 8,899
Kayenta Service Unit: 5,024
Shiprock Service Unit: 9,859
Tuba City Service Unit: 5,740
Winslow Service Unit: 2,814

* 22 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Thursday, the state of New Mexico reported 120 new cases and Utah reported 140 new cases. The state of Arizona now reports COVID-19 cases on a weekly basis, each Wednesday.

"There is a lower number of cases this week, but we have to remain diligent and take precautions to lessen the spread of COVID-19 in our homes and communities. Wearing a mask in public places and getting fully vaccinated and boosted are the best defense against this virus and its variants. Please be very cautious, encourage your elders and vulnerable individuals to take precautions, and continue to pray," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities on the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"Our public health officials continue to go above and beyond the call of duty to protect our people and save lives. We are very grateful to them and their families for all of the sacrifices and long hours of work every day. We are in this together, and we will overcome through our prayers and by adhering to the guidance of our health experts," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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